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WASHINGTON, JUNE 1 (AP) - SENATE LEADERS AGREED TODAY TO TRY TO WORK OUT A COMPROMISE AND AVOID AN OPEN FLOOR FIGHT OVER SUPERVISION OF THE TOP SECRET CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY.

WITH A HEAD-ON CLASH SCHEDULED IN THE SENATE TODAY, DEMOCRATIC LEADER MIKE MANSFIELD OF MONTANA CALLED IN OPPOSING FORCES TO ARRANGE A TRUCE.

AFTERWARD, MANSFIELD ANNOUNCED THAT THE SENATE DEBATE OVER ACTIVITIES OF THE SPY AGENCY WILL NOT TAKE PLACE THIS WEEK. HE ADDED THAT A COMPROMISE COULD BE WORKED OUT.

SITTING IN ON THE PEACE PARLEY WERE CHAIRMAN RICHARD B. RUSSELL, D-GA., OF THE PRESENT SELECT SEVEN-MEMBER PANEL WHICH OVERSEES THE CIA, CHAIRMAN J. W. FULBRIGHT, D-ARK., OF THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE WHICH WANTS THREE OF ITS MEMBERS ADDED TO THE SENATE MONITORING GROUP, AND SENS. EUGENE J. MCCARTHY, D-MINN., AND JOHN STENNIS, D-MISS.

MCCARTHY IS AUTHOR OF A RESOLUTION, READIED FOR INTRODUCTION, TO ADD THE FOREIGN RELATIONS MEMBERS TO THE SUPERVISORY PANEL. FULBRIGHT BACKS HIM.

AFTER THE COMPROMISE SESSION, MANSFIELD CALLED IN NEWSMEN TO ANNOUNCE:

"IT IS NOT ANTICIPATED THAT THE CIA RESOLUTION WILL BE BROUGHT UP THIS WEEK."

HE SAID 89-YEAR OLD SEN. CARL HAYDEN, D-ARIZ., CHAIRMAN OF THE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE AND A MEMBER OF THE PRESENT INFORMAL CIA PANEL, WAS IN THE HOSPITAL.

"WE ARE STILL TRYING TO WORK OUT A COMPROMISE" WHICH WOULD AVOID PUBLIC DEBATE ON CIA ACTIVITIES, MANSFIELD SAID.

HE ADDED A HOPE THAT AN EVENTUAL COMPROMISE WOULD GIVE REPRESENTATION ON THE CIA SENATE PANEL TO ALL SENATE COMMITTEES WITH A LEGITIMATE INTEREST.

THESE INCLUDE FOREIGN RELATIONS AS WELL AS APPROPRIATIONS AND ARMED SERVICES, HE ADDED.

AT PRESENT ONLY ARMED SERVICES AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEEMEN SIT ON THE PANEL.

MANSFIELD CALLED SEN. EVERETT M. DIRKSEN, R-ILL., THE SENATE GOP LEADER TO HIS OFFICE TO OUTLINE THE TRUCE AND PROPOSED COMPROMISE.

MCCARTHY AND FULBRIGHT, SLIPPING OUT A BACK DOOR OF MANSFIELD'S OFFICE, WALKED RIGHT INTO NEWSMEN. BUT THEY HAD LITTLE TO SAY FOR FEAR OF UPSETTING NEGOTIATIONS.

"THERE'S NOTHING NEW IN THE POT," SAID MCCARTHY.

"IT'S A NICE DAY," SAID FULBRIGHT.

MANSFIELD SAID IN HIS OPINION A FLOOR FIGHT "WOULD BENEFIT NO ONE" AND MIGHT PROVE TO BE AN EMBARRASSMENT TO THE CIA.

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